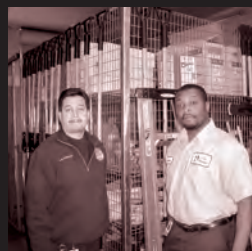
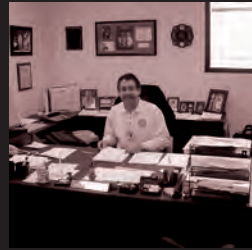


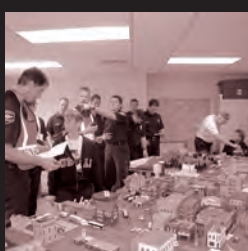


*City of Las Vegas*  
**FIRE & RESCUE**



**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**2004**

*Striving for a Safer Community*





## **MESSAGE FROM FIRE CHIEF DAVID L. WASHINGTON**

It is my privilege to present to you the 2004 Annual Report for Las Vegas Fire & Rescue.

In keeping pace with our motto, "Striving for a Safer Community," city officials recognized the need to reinvest funds into the long established sections of our community. Fire Station #5 (Charleston/Valley View) was originally commissioned on May 1, 1957 and was rebuilt due to inadequate conditions and space needs. On September 11, 2004 local firefighters together with the community celebrated the dedication of the new Fire Station #5 to include a remembrance of the 343 firefighters lost on 9/11 at the World Trade Center in New York.

Another older station identified for rebuild is Fire Station #8 (Bonanza/Mojave) which was originally commissioned in the mid-1970s. City officials also approved funding to construct a brand new replacement Fire Station #8. A groundbreaking ceremony was held on October 25, 2004 and the station is due to be finished in September 2005.

We have begun our goal of becoming an accredited fire department through the Commission on Fire Service Accreditation International (CFAI). Once approved, this year long process will develop our operations to be more efficient, effective, and accountable.

As we continue to grow in terms of population and geographical expansion, we are continually faced with higher response issues. We have identified these concerns as part of our annual Business Plan and in our multi-year Strategic Plan 2008 document. We work hard everyday to address these concerns and these plans cannot be successful without the help from City Hall. Las Vegas Fire & Rescue, along with your city officials continue to support public safety and the exceptional quality of life here in Southern Nevada.

There are many people along the way who have helped us to become one of the finest departments in the country and we appreciate their generous contributions. And as always, a sincere thank you goes out to all the men and women of Las Vegas Fire & Rescue who put their lives on the line to protect us everyday. We will always continue to strive for a safer community and help those in need.

Sincerely,



**David L. Washington**  
Fire Chief  
Las Vegas Fire & Rescue

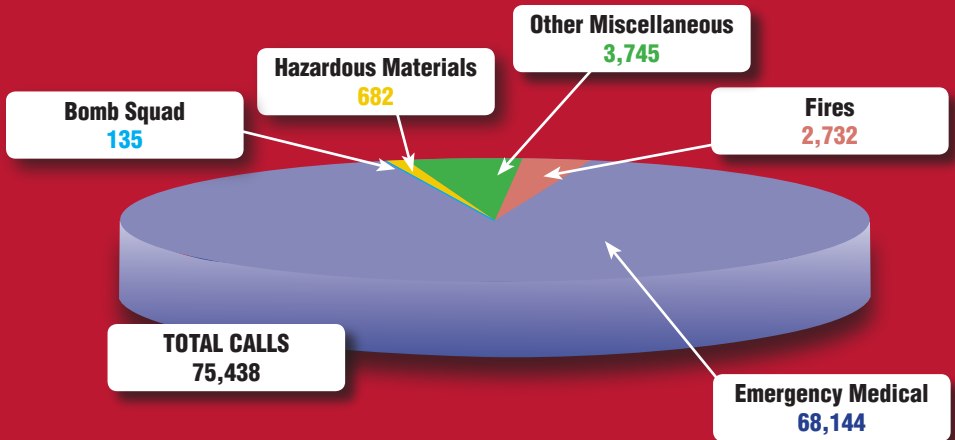
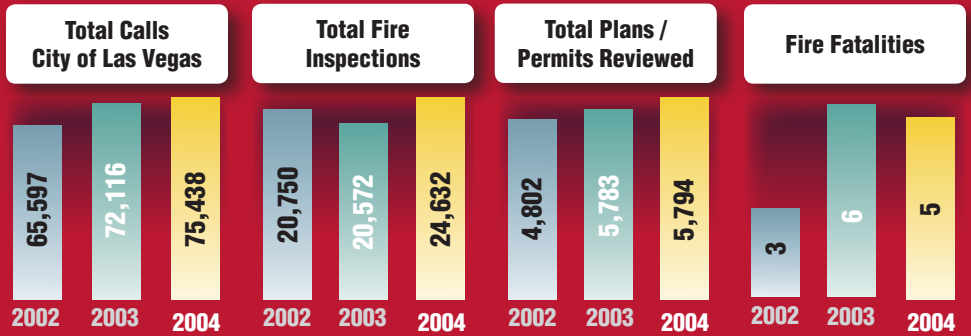
**MISSION STATEMENT - We promote community safety by:**

• **PROTECTING** Life • **PREVENTING** Loss • **PROVIDING** support and relief to those in need.





# CALENDAR YEAR 2004



## SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS 2004

- Jan. 21: Fire investigators believe a fire in a Pardee Place triplex was arson. Later that day a woman is arrested and charged with setting the building on fire.
- Feb 4: City Council adopted a new fire code for the city, NFPA 1, Uniform Fire Code.
- Feb 5: The city is stunned when a family of three and six pets die of carbon monoxide poisoning in their northwest Las Vegas home.
- Feb 21: A 7000 gallon gasoline tank caught fire on Interstate 15 & Sahara Avenue after it was involved in an accident.
- March 2: An auto accident victim fires a gun at firefighters as they try to free him on Paratore Way. No one was injured.
- March 11: A 12-year old girl dies in a mobile home fire on East Ogden Avenue.
- March 20: Two elderly residents died in a fire in a Holly Hill Avenue group home.
- April 9: A 3-Alarm fire destroys the Casa Palms Apartments on Las Vegas Blvd, North.
- April 20: LVFR HazMat crew work an incident where mercury is found in a northwest Las Vegas apartment.
- April 29: A 4-Alarm fire destroys two homes and a garage on Dover Place.
- May 4: 40 local residents graduate from 5<sup>th</sup> annual Citizens Fire Academy.
- May 8: A natural gas explosion at the Lied Transitional Apartments sends five people to the hospital.
- May 13: 2-Alarm fire at the Heavenly Bliss Wedding Chapel on South Fourth St.
- May 27: The "Heat Kills" public awareness program kicks-off.
- May 27: New mobile command unit is placed into service.
- May 31: Metro officer and firefighters rescue a man and infant from a burning apartment on Marlin Avenue.
- June 7: A woman dies in a northwest Las Vegas house fire on Shore Haven Drive.
- July 29: Six mobile homes are destroyed in a fire at Sky Vue mobile home park.
- August 21: 2-Alarm fire in hi-rise building at 701 Bridger Avenue.
- Sept 2: 2-Alarm fire in the Indigo Creek Apartments.
- Sept 8: 2-Alarm fire in the Cliff Shadow Condos.
- Oct 6: Elderly man dies in apartment fire on Fremont Street.
- Nov 10: 2-Alarm fire destroys three houses under construction on North Jones Blvd.
- Dec 3: 2-Alarm fire destroys form Phillips Supper Club on West Sahara Ave.
- Dec 22: 3-Alarm fire destroys building under construction on North Decatur Blvd.



## 2004 UNIT RESPONSES

Engine 1.....	1,934
Engine 201.....	1,901
Engine 2.....	1,909
Engine 3.....	1,685
Engine 203.....	1,589
Engine 4.....	2,155
Engine 5 (E210).....	1,797
Engine 6.....	2,638
Engine 7.....	1,199
Engine 8.....	2,934
Engine 9.....	1,461
Engine 10.....	2,036
Engine 41.....	949
Engine 42.....	1,579
Engine 43.....	1,590
Engine 243.....	1,620
Engine 44.....	1,568
Engine 45.....	655
Engine 245.....	745
Truck 1.....	2,334
Truck 3.....	1,157
Truck 4.....	1,966
Truck 6.....	1,389
Truck 7.....	600
Truck 9.....	709
Rescue 1.....	8,200
Rescue 201.....	3,744
Rescue 2.....	3,156

Rescue 3.....	4,393
Rescue 4.....	5,755
Rescue 5.....	1,072
Rescue 6.....	4,218
Rescue 7.....	2,236
Rescue 8.....	4,762
Rescue 9.....	2,387
Rescue 41.....	1,574
Rescue 42.....	2,813
Rescue 43.....	3,564
Rescue 44.....	2,702
Rescue 45.....	1,331

Air Resource 1.....	260
Water Tender 41.....	291
Heavy Rescue 44.....	1,319
HazMat 3.....	29
Battalion 1.....	848
Battalion 4.....	458
Battalion 10.....	601
EMS 1.....	69
PIO 1.....	179
Special Ops.....	39
Arson 1.....	288
Arson 2.....	259
Arson 3.....	5

### LVFR EQUIPMENT

19 ENGINES / 6 LADDER TRUCKS / 17 PARAMEDIC RESCUES  
 1 HEAVY RESCUE / 1 AIR/LIGHT UNIT / 1 TECHNICAL RESCUE TEAM  
 1 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RESPONSE TEAM  
 1 WATER TANKER / 1 MOBILE COMMAND POST



## CURRENT LOCATIONS

Station Number	Address
1 .....	500 N. Casino Center Blvd.
	Fire Administration Headquarters
2 .....	900 S. Durango Blvd.
3 .....	2645 W. Washington Ave.
4 .....	421 S. 15th St.
5 .....	1020 Hinson Rd.
6 .....	190 Upland Blvd.
7 .....	10101 W. Banbury Cross Dr.
8 .....	805 N. Mojave Rd.
9 .....	4747 N. Rainbow Blvd.
10 .....	1501 S. Martin Luther King Blvd.
41 .....	6989 N. Buffalo Rd.
42 .....	7331 W. Cheyenne Ave.
43 .....	6420 Smoke Ranch Rd.
44 .....	7701 W. Washington Ave.
45 .....	3821 N. Fort Apache Rd.

## PROPOSED LOCATIONS

46 .....	Summerlin - TBA
47 .....	Summerlin - TBA



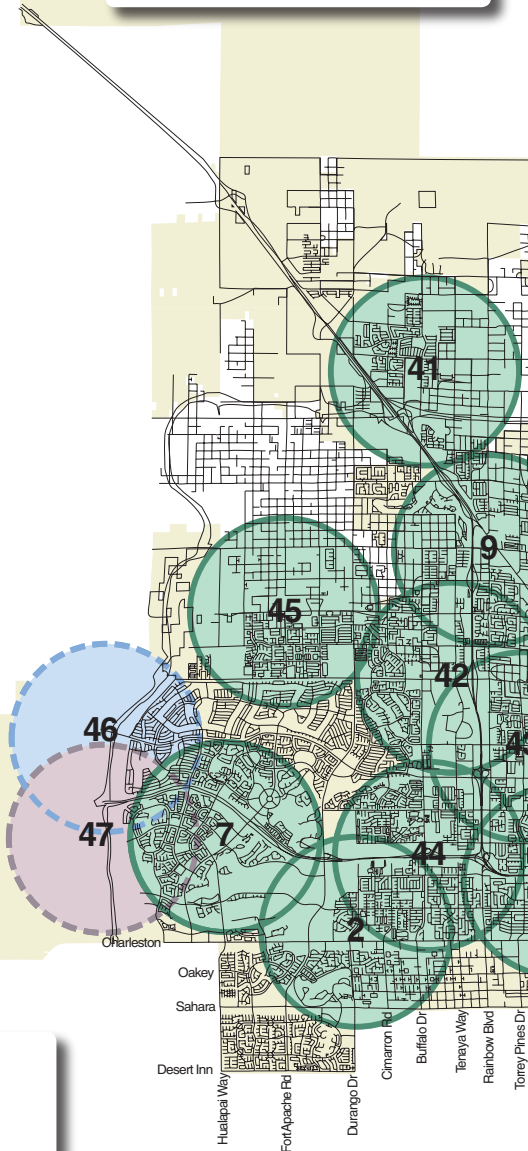
## CITY OF LAS VEGAS

Population

**559,824 as of July, 2004**

Square Miles

**130.102 as of November, 2004**



## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

**\$6,449,729**

## COMMUNICATIONS

**\$7,249,994**



# FY 2005 GENERAL FUND BUDGET

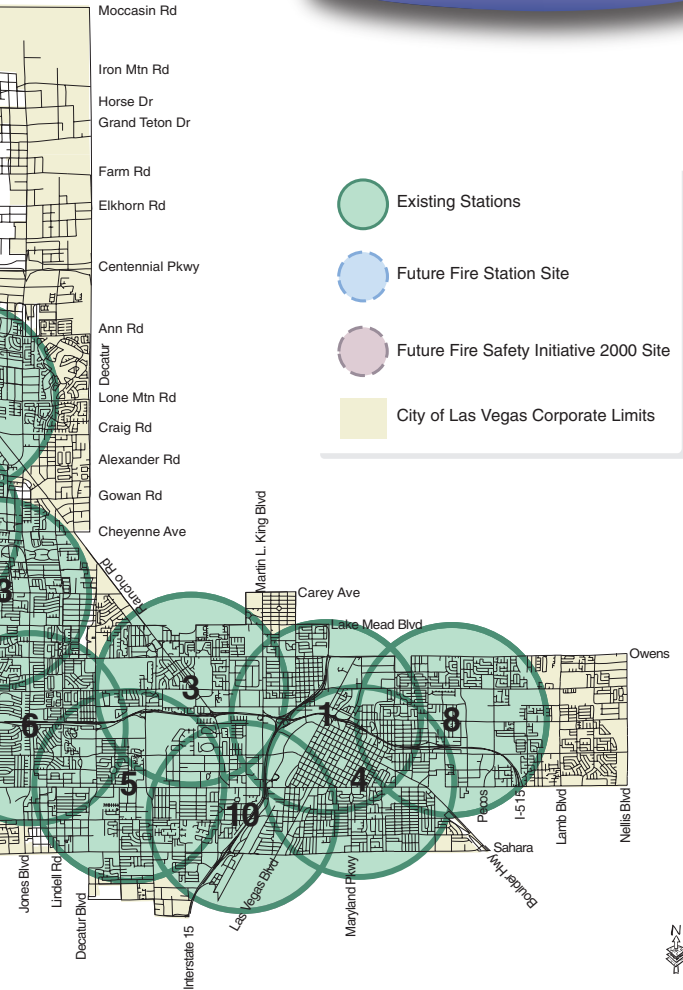
## \$85,473,013

**Admin**  
**\$1,793,585**

**Fire Prevention**  
**\$5,957,617**

**Support**  
**\$4,977,334**

**Operations**  
**\$72,744,477**



## FIRE SERVICES RESOURCES 2004

**Total Fire Stations** ..... **15**  
**Total Authorized Staffing** ..... **645**

# FUNCTIONAL TABLE OF ORGANIZATION

## FIRE CHIEF David L. Washington

### Administration

Management  
Planning  
Emergency Management  
Personnel Services  
Clerical Services  
Budget

### Operations

Fire Combat  
Medical Services  
Health/Wellness  
EMS Quality  
Special Operations  
Training  
Public Info.  
Safety  
CISD  
Recruiting

### Fire Prevention

Inspections  
Code Review  
Public Education  
Fire Protection Eng.  
Investigations  
Bomb Squad

### Support Services

Fire Communications  
Facilities Maintenance  
Materials Maintenance  
Information Technology  
GIS

## PERSONNEL LISTING

1 Fire Chief  
4 Deputy Fire Chiefs  
3 Asst. Fire Chiefs  
9 Fire Battalion Chiefs  
91 Fire Captains  
90 Engineers  
116 FF/Paramedics  
168 Firefighters

13 Training Staff  
10 Operations Support Staff  
28 Fire Prevention Staff  
13 Fire Investigations/Bomb Squad Staff  
20 Support Services Staff  
59 Communications Staff  
6 Administrative Support Staff  
14 Clerical Staff

**Total Authorized Positions: 645**

## MOBILE COMMAND UNIT

In May of 2004, Las Vegas Fire & Rescue placed into service a new state-of-the-art Mobile Command Unit (MCU) sometimes referred to as the "Command Post." The unit was built by Pierce Manufacturing and the interior was built by LDV Specialty Vehicles. The units consist of three main areas on the inside: public information & warning, communications, and command/conference. The unit is used at major emergencies and disasters, at extra-alarm fires, at press and public relation events held by the department and as a backup headquarters in the event the main headquarters was put out of commission. The unit is equipped with the latest in communications and computer equipment, making it possible to communicate and coordinate with multiple local, state and federal agencies in the event of a large scale disaster.

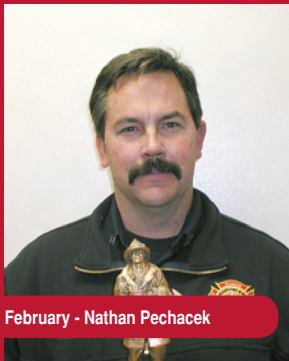




## 2004 LVFR EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH



January - Terry Paul



February - Nathan Pechacek



March - Ken Falline



April - Scott E. Johnson



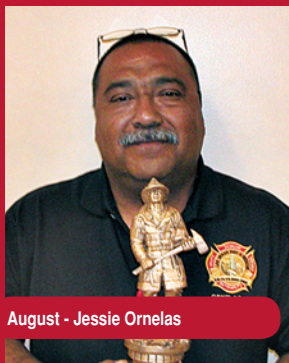
May - Chris S. Rieffer



June - Sherri Wilcox



July - Donald Cifelli



August - Jessie Ornelas



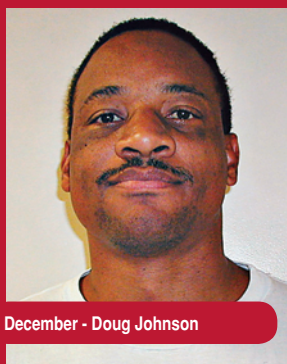
September - Dan Allred



October - Yolanda G. Kozak



November - Rick Diebold



December - Doug Johnson



## 2004 SIGNIFICANT EVENTS



**ON JUNE 2, 2004** Las Vegas Firefighter/Paramedic Randy Farr received the city's highest honor from the Mayor and City Council, the "Medal of Honor." On March 2, 2004, FF/PM Farr was assigned to Engine 210, which responded to a motor vehicle accident rollover. When he crawled into the car to provide medical aid to the victim trapped inside the car, the victim retrieved a handgun from under the dash and fired it. When Farr saw the gun, he took it from the victim and threw outside the vehicle preventing anyone from being shot.

**IN MAY 2004** Las Vegas Fire & Rescue launched the "Heat Kills" public awareness program with a press conference given by Mayor Oscar B. Goodman (r to l) Fire Chief David Washington, Mayor Pro Tem Gary Reese and City Manager Douglas A. Selby. The program reminds the public of the dangers of leaving children unattended in parked vehicles.





CITY COUNCIL  
Mayor Oscar B. Goodman  
Mayor Pro Tem Gary Reese  
Larry Brown  
Lawrence Weekly  
Steve Wolfson  
Lois Tarkanian  
Steven D. Ross  
CITY MANAGER  
Douglas Selby



FIRE CHIEF  
David L. Washington  
DEPUTY CHIEFS  
Ken Riddle  
Jeff Morgan  
Richard Gracia  
Greg Gammon  
ASSISTANT CHIEFS  
Eugene Campbell  
Cherina Kleven  
Mike Myers

### *Commitment to Excellence*

“Las Vegas Fire & Rescue is tasked with the protection of one of the most recognizable cities in the world. The exciting recreational and entertainment attractions, coupled with population growth unparalleled in American history, present a challenging environment for Firefighting and the provision of Emergency Medical Services. Las Vegas Fire & Rescue meets these challenges on a daily basis, armed with a diverse, committed team of uniformed and civilian members. The Department has proudly borne an Insurance Service Office (ISO) Class 1 rating since 1990, and will strive to maintain its commitment to service and excellence into the 21st Century.”

### **Las Vegas Fire & Rescue Important Phone Numbers**

Emergency & Disaster Public Information: [www.lvalert.com](http://www.lvalert.com)  
38alert (382-5378)

Bee Info Hotline: 229-2000

<b>EMERGENCY</b> .....	<b>9-1-1</b>
<b>Non-Emergency</b> .....	<b>3-1-1</b>
<b>Fire Headquarters</b> .....	<b>383-2888</b>
<b>Fire Chief's Office</b> .....	<b>229-0323</b>
<b>Fire Prevention</b> .....	<b>229-0366</b>
<b>New Construction Inspections</b> .....	<b>229-2071</b>
<b>Complaint Hotline</b> .....	<b>229-0340</b>
<b>Public Information Officer</b> .....	<b>229-0145</b>
<b>Trauma Intervention Program</b> .....	<b>367-2542</b>
<b>TTY Las Vegas (Emergency)</b> .....	<b>384-4044</b>
<b>TTY Las Vegas (Non-emergency)</b> .....	<b>386-9108</b>

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